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Thomas Daniel et al.

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For: Method for the Secondary Crosslinking of  
Hydrogels with Bicyclic Amide Acetals

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is a response to the final Office Action dated November 10, 2009.  
Reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

**The Pending Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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